

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PERMIT

General Permit SAJ-80

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MICCOSUKEE TRIBE OF INDIANS OF FLORIDA

Upon recommendation of the Chief of Engineers, pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (U.S.C. 1344), general authority is hereby given for the discharge of fill material for use by the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida (Tribe) for the expansion of existing homesites within the Reservation. This authorization is valid subject to the attached General Conditions and the following Special Conditions:

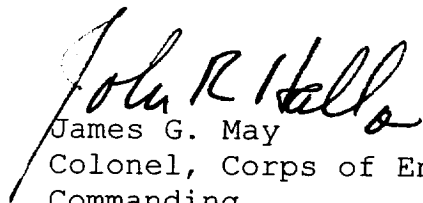
SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

1. This permit is limited to fill activities that allow Tribal members to place fill around their housepads to increase the overall lot size to a total of 0.5-acre.
2. Any activity authorized under this permit shall not adversely affect or disturb properties listed or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.
3. This permit does not apply to any activity that "may affect" a listed species identified under the Endangered Species Act, or destroy or adversely modify the critical habitat of such species.
4. This permit does not authorize any proposed work that would require a discharge of fill material in waters of the United States that exceeds the 0.5-acre per individual lot or a maximum of 53.73 acres for the Tribe.
5. The Tribe will submit a quarterly report, providing the acreage impacts performed to date, to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Regulatory Division, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, Florida 32202-0019.
6. As Compensatory Mitigation the Tribe will enhance 53.73 acres on the Sherrod Ranch by eradicating melaleuca. All enhancement work will be completed within two years of the date of issuance of the General Permit. Continued maintenance of the enhancement area will be performed to prevent reinfestation. The Corps will be notified upon completion of the enhancement work.

7. Conditions 1-5 of the 401 Water Quality Certification, dated September 27, 2001, become conditions of this General Permit.

8. This General Permit will be valid for five years from date of issuance, unless suspended or revoked by the Corps. A review will be conducted to determine if continuance of the permit is in the public interest after the 5-year expiration date.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF


James G. May
Colonel, Corps of Engineers
Commanding